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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

Although wireless phone rates have dropped significantly over the past few years, allowing near everyone to enjoy the availability of the services, one of the reasons that I chose the service that I currently use - Trac Phone - is because of it's "pay as you use" plan. Adding additional charges to the use of ALL wireless customers will, once again, put the usage of such timely devices out of the reach of customers who would otherwise be able to afford such services/devices.

Why is it that when Corporate/Bureaucratic America decides to impose fee's that it is always the casual, middle American user that has to carry the burden of this decision? Pay the Lion's share again? I urge you to carefully consider this request for increased fee's and ultimately decide AGAINST raising the Universal Service Fund, so that middle American's can continue to enjoy the services that the upper 1% of the population have long had in their lives as "standard equipment."

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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